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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC AND
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1. FCO NOW ACTING TO COORDINATE HMG RESPONSE, AND
ALSO CONSULTING WITH PARTNERS IN EUROPEAN COMMUNITY
NARCOTICS PROGRAM.

2. FCO REPEATS THAT SUBSTANTIVE AGENCIES IN HMG DE-
FINITELY INTERESTED AND FCO EXPECTS TO PROVIDE SOON
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CONSIDERED REPLY ON BRITISH PARTICIPATION AND
OTHER QUESTIONS RAISED STATE A-1918.

3. WE DO NOT NOW SEE NEED FOR TEAM SUGGESTED REFTEL A.

4. EMBASSY COMMENT: WE HAVE NOT RAISED VENUE OF
CONFERENCE WITH FCO AND THEY HAVE NOT ASKED. HOWEVER,
WE MUST POINT OUT THAT IN OUR VIEW LONDON IS MOST
UNSUITABLE LOCATION FOR SUCH A CONFERENCE, AND END OF
MAY IS HEIGHT OF LONDON SEASON AND WELL INTO TOURIST
SEASON. HOTEL ACCOMMODATION IS ALREADY BEGINNING TO BE
TIGHT. IN ADDITION, LONDON LACKS CONFERENCE FACILITIES
OF ANY SCALE FROM WHOM INTERPRETERS AND OTHER SUPPORT
PERSONNEL MIGHT BE BORROWED. FINALLY, WE BELIEVE EFFECT
OF SUCATED MATTERS, JONES SAID CHILEANS HAVE BEEN
VERY SLOW IN MAKING PAYMENTS TO UK UNDER THE AGREEMENT,
ARE ROUGHLY 50 PERCENT BEHIND IN SCHEDULED PAYMENTS.
ROBERT FELL, HEAD OF ECGD, CALLED IN CHILEAN AMBASSADOR
AND REQUESTED HIM TO SPEED UP PAYMENTS. MEETING, WHICH
JONES DID NOT ATTEND PERSONALLY, WAS REPORTEDLY SHARP
AND AT SOME POINTS SARCASTIC IN TONE.

5. ELSEWHERE IN SOUTH AMERICA, UKTREASURY WOULD NOT BE
SURPRISED IF ARGENTINA AND PERU BECAME CANDIDATES FOR
RESCHEDULING, ALTHOUGH UK OBVIOUSLY HOPES THIS WON'T
HAPPEN.

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